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Presdt Falconer

University Of Toronto

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Seriously object to further encroachment in the household science  
Building greatly disappointed there should be a desire to depart from  
the terms of the agreement with and spirit of my  
letter to the University and feel it necessary that same  
should be adhered to or grave complications will arise writing.

Lillian Massey Treble.

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March 19th, 1915

Mrs. Massey Treble,

816 Central Avenue,

Phoenix, Arizona.

Dear Mrs. Treble:

I regret very much that you have been occasioned such unnecessary anxiety with regard to the suggested misuse of the Household Science building. If Miss Laird had spoken to me before she wrote to you, as indeed from her position in the University it was her duty to do, both you and I would have been saved a good deal of trouble.

When I spoke to you last autumn about use of space for the Social Service Department in the Household Science Building I said that it would be only temporary, and that for my part I would never allow anything to interfere with the work of Household Science in that building. Six weeks ago we made arrangements whereby other quarters are being provided for the Social Service Department, so that at the end of this session it will vacate the rooms in the Household Science building. In accordance with the terms of your gift the women students will then have the use of the large room now occupied by the Social Service Department. I hope that they will use it more in the future than they did in the first year it was put at their disposal.

A few weeks ago I had a deputation from undergraduate women students asking for the use of a room where they might meet in the evenings and on Sunday afternoons, and where they might be able to make a cup of tea. Of course this would be quite unnecessary if we had, as I



hope we may soon have, a suitable building for the undergraduate women of the University. It would be a boon to many girls who have no home in the city, and who simply live in their rooms. If Miss Laird had seen it possible to allow them an occasional use of the Board Room and kitchen that would have met their wants, but if you agree with her that it is undesirable there the matter ends.

I have always endeavoured to support the cause of Household Science, often against difficulties, and as in the past so in the future to act in accordance with the spirit in which your gift was made to the University. I believe, however, that it would be to the advantage to Household Science that those in charge of it should endeavour to make friends as widely as possible among all classes of the women of the University. I hope that this is the end of an incident, which was of very minor importance, and might have easily been avoided if the proper course had been followed in the beginning.

I hope that you are improving in your health, and that when you return to Toronto next summer you will be very much the better of your stay in Arizona.

I am,

Yours sincerely,

President.



no further difficulties will arise, I feel confident. That there in charge are seriously desirous of sustaining the University Women Students whenever opportunity offers, and personally, I have always tried to serve the University honestly and unselfishly, always to help you wherever possible.

Thank you for your friendly interest in my health here. Unfortunately my gain has been most disappointing.

Very sincerely,

William Harvey Miller

Chauncy Ogden  
816 No. Central Ave.  
March 29, 18.

Dr. D. A. Falconer,  
Toronto, Can.,

Dear Dr. Falconer,  
I have than ever after your letter came I regretted I could not see you in person and explain the reason of my seeming criticisms of the use of the Hornschoel Service Building. These represent, following to turn a headache tragedy that caused the family, and are informed that that was a disgrace to a city, and feeling that "Toronto did not care" in the trying to define a family name, of which we are proud, made me feel more keenly the ingratitude of



The people, and I was peculiarly sensitive and more bitter.

In his conversation with Miss Larr, my nephew proposed the use of the Faculty Room for the University women. Students, this I felt was at-the-negotiation of Professor Irving who had already made suggestions for the use of the Building, which we thought would be impossible and had made us a great deal of trouble before the Building was completed, and which you know yourself was an embarrassment to the University and you felt it keenly. It had seemed as if these intrusions were to be continued from that source, and I was naturally jealous that the department should not be interfered with, and I felt it was time the University put an end to these ~~intrusions~~ things.

Max said probably would not have mentioned the subject to me but in speaking with my nephew

she had said she would comply with the request if it were my wish, and so naturally told me her conversation, she thought possibly you would write to me on the matter would be dropped. From other sources I heard it was coming to an issue very soon, almost immediately, and I was so distant there was no time to lose in giving you my wishes. I had Mrs. Larr felt you had wanted her to see you. I am sure she would have been most-happy to have done so but not-hearing anything further she did not feel it was her privilege to trouble you, so please do not blame her in this for it was quite my own thought that I wished and wrote you as I did. Sincerely regret the worry this has caused to all parties concerned, and trust there will be a better understanding of things in the future and I earnestly hope that I have made my motives clear and that



April 8th, 1915

Mrs. Massey Treble,  
818 North Central Avenue,  
Phoenix, Arizona.

Dear Mrs. Treble:

I hope that the trouble with regard to what Miss Laird feared might be encroachment upon the use of the Household Science Building is now passed. I trust also that the rooms which you were good enough to set apart for the use of the women students of the University at large will be occupied by them in a way that was not the case in the first year after the building was opened. Probably this may have been due in a measure to lack of knowledge on their part that such rooms were open to them.

I expect that the Department of Social Service will be able to move into its own quarters in June. However, I believe that the fact that they were able to use these rooms this winter has been of great value to the University, and I do not think that it has really interfered with the work of the Household Science Department. My hope is that those who are interested in the Household Science Department will in the future endeavour to cultivate as friendly relations as possible with the other women of the University, because by so doing they will be taking the best steps to extend the usefulness of Household Science in the University.

I am sorry that your winter in Arizona seems to have done so little for you, but I hope that when you return in the summer to your home air there will be some change for the better.

THE UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO



the change are not qualified to judge what should be done, and what should be used in the building for the benefit of the department, they are surely not competent for the position they fill. I can assure you they feel as I do, that this is a sacred trust and are ready to assume the responsibility of the same and justice to the department is shown not to have been at their hands. And this department here in charge of these professors would have been the inconvenience from outside sources such as have been the experience of those in charge here at the present time. I think not for I do not think there is another department that would stand such criticism without strong protest. While we are not happy with the decline in our rights as women, this is a very serious matter to the

to give over our faculty room and little kitchen, on only rooms for formal work in connection with the staff of our department and faculty seems a most unnecessary and unfeeling thing to do. We are not furnishing trunk rooms or dining rooms for the benefit of the women students of the University, that is not what I was called upon to prepare for. Thousands have and can never give my consent to such an invasion, which would most seriously militate against the work of the department. There are things that could be done to make it good. The University



I do not wish to pose in a department that furnishes simply a cooking-school for the benefit of the students life. Neither are we there for social advantages to their particular comfort. This we distinctly affirm at the beginning could not be done without serious detriment to our work.

I consider it stealing any base ingratitude for a university to take such action in my absence, and most all uplifting by example, when they know exactly my wishes in regard to this department.

It is certainly not unipriming for others to make gifts to the university when a sacred trust has not been considered worth addressing. Our laboratories are as well and carefully worked out far that for which they are fitted to do as any in the university.

and as serious work is done, I but the difference between our and the physiological and Chemical Laboratories - in the working out of results, is that in ours we can eat mostly what we prepare, in the others they are not edible and of the poisonous. This is what we wish the public to understand regarding the scientific work done in our laboratories.

For the convenience of the household Science Students they have the privilege of furnishing a small kitchen for themselves, under the supervision of the staff, but this could never be done, for others than household Science Students.

If we are seriously to do what we have promised to do for the public, the University should strengthen our faculty. We have to strain on our dignity for what we know is best for the department, and if those



There is one who  
understands the men,  
of our country and  
who has had much to  
do with the army the  
thinks it worth while  
to teach themselves  
to know in our community,  
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the municipality to see  
the things for me, or  
as long as themselves  
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in their midst.  
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you will feel my wishes  
are yours, and

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the heart,

You will be pleased to  
know that. The same like  
at those in charge of  
the department has  
been very happy, having  
the utmost pleasure  
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Yours very soon  
have an early reply  
believe me

Wm. D. Webb



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but rather the working  
out of an idea that  
has the promise of a  
great future and  
is the opportunity of  
the university to carry  
out this ideal. In a  
recent visit of Sir Guy  
Parsons to the Building  
he made this remark

"I know of nothing that  
the Country more needs  
than a building of lasting  
for the working out of  
Homebased Science for the  
Women of Ontario and the world."



I have not tried to do my duty. The university may feel perhaps I have not a right to give judgment on the matter, but in this I do not agree. I have built, constructed, arranged and planned for all I thought was best for the welfare of science and the university. I have no weight in any way to attract from such depart. ment, which belongs to the University.

I hope I have made myself plain, and it you desire to give the Board of Governors the letter that they should know my attitude I am quite willing they should know where I stand. This is not the gift of an



I have not been in the building since its dedication because of ill-health, but I have never ceased to take active part and follow affairs there until called, and to feel I am given needless worry, have shared when the University accepted the trust and promised fuel Co. operation, and at any time when they weary of themselves to science, the original agreement with the University states the alternative, I cannot believe that the time has come when the University wishes to give up knowledge science, therefore I think



P. There is only one thing for them to do, and that is to preclude any possibility of interference from outside sources, and close the doors to everything but what is best to promote household science. We certainly welcome the student-life of the University but those within <sup>the building</sup> must give the decision where this must stop.

Dr. Falconer you fully understand the intricacies of household science, you will quite appreciate that what we ask is no more than what is right and will hold upon hands to help us, and further everything that will promote the best interests of the department. While I am here and able to speak I

want. To be assured that this is what is to be done by the University, and I only have you to listen, please to help me to understand what is the attitude of the University at the earliest possible moment. I have things unfinished yet to do that I am pledged to, before my work is finished in this building, and if I am to do any more I must know the attitude of the University in this matter.

Feeling so deeply on the subject, I sent you a night letter, that you would understand my attitude, and that there would be no undue haste on your part in granting any further favors to those outside of household science work. This has been my life work and if I fail it will not be because I



Myself, to promote the work of the women students, also give them the use of a beautiful room, for their language-room, and so will give them one of the most desirable lecture-rooms for a common room, then the J. W. C. A. devised a place for their office, and this was granted, and also a common use of the large lecture-room when knowledge service did not require the room, this, I think, is going something to the women students outside of knowledge service, other rooms are vacant given to them, they are vacated to our work, now can I sanction the giving of further rooms for their work, well, because their common room was taken from them, I am not disappointed, and did not think it right or fair to them. I desire to make this room still more attractive that they could have their afternoon tea and a quiet social time by themselves without disturbing the other departments.



Shenry, Oregon.

816 No. Centre Ave.  
March 13, 1915.

Dr. D. A. Falconer,  
Mont. Canada.

Dear Dr. Falconer,

It is with feeling of deep regret that I have heard of further encroachment on the knowledge service building. I was greatly disturbed in the introduction of the Science Service Department in that building, and felt at the time it was a grave mistake but as you seemed embarrassed as to what to do with the Department, I wrote pointing out that another place would be provided, I feel



Now that another year the Social Service Department must be removed, without question to another building, that the women students of the University can go back to their own room. The Motley Rooms that has come to the Social Service meetings has been very foreign to our student atmosphere, and greatly to their displeasure. These intemperate carnal-continue without serious disadvantage to the household. Service Department, and it seems unkind to place barriers in its way, when we need the fullest support and co-operation of the University staff and faculty as a whole, but unfortunately I see you have to deal with those who are most selfish and unprincipled in their desire to gain what is not their own to use for their own advantage and not ours. At the very beginning

when the project was first broached to me as to what might be possible to do for the University in the erection of the building, I made it perfectly clear there should be no interference in this department other than what would best promote its interests, and when I was asked <sup>build and</sup> to devote the building exclusively to women students of the University I said decidedly I would not, that my purpose was to establish Household Science and if the University required this department I was willing to meet their wish in the erection of a building suitable to this purpose. I think in this I have fulfilled my promise, and I wonder sometimes if it has been made too beautiful, that the University is jealous because of what is there. I think I was liberal with the University when I gave a gymnasium and swimming pool at large expense to